

REMARKS

This Amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed on December 20, 2005. Currently, claims 2-69 are pending. Claims 4, 6, 8, and 69 are rejected. In this Amendment, claims 4, 6, 8, are amended. Claim 69 is canceled without prejudice.

Allowed Claims

Applicant thanks the Examiner for allowing claims 2-3, 5, 7 and 9-68.

Applicant submits further that claim 4 has been amended to depend from claim 2, claim 6 has been amended to depend from claim 5, and claim 8 has been amended to depend from claim 7, all of which are allowed claims. Thus, Applicant submits that claims 4, 6, and 8 should be similarly allowed.

35 U.S.C. §102(b) rejection

The Examiner has rejected claims 4, 6, 8 and 69 under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by Moskowitz (U.S. 5,528,222, "Moskowitz"), with an inherent teaching of Moskowitz explained by Brady, et al. (U.S. 5,682,143, "Brady"). Claim 69 has been canceled without prejudice and Applicant is not expressing an opinion on this claim at this point. Claims 4, 6, and 8 have been amended to depend from allowed claims.

If the Examiner determines the prompt allowance of these claims could be facilitated by a telephone conference, the Examiner is invited to contact Mimi Dao at (408) 720-8300.

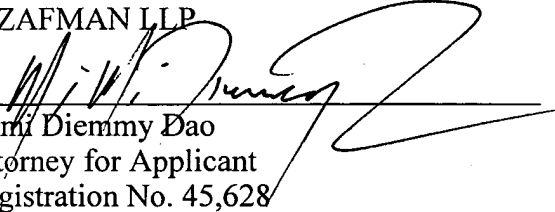
Deposit Account Authorization

Authorization is hereby given to charge our Deposit Account No. 02-2666 for any charges that may be due. Furthermore, if an extension is required, then Applicant hereby requests such extension.

Respectfully submitted,

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